



**ATTORNEY GENERAL STRANGE ANNOUNCES VICTORY FOR STATE IN
ELECTRONIC BINGO FORFEITURE CASE AGAINST CHOCTAW ENTERTAINMENT
CENTER OF MOBILE COUNTY**

(MONTGOMERY) – Attorney General Luther Strange announced Friday a Mobile County Circuit Court has ruled in favor of the State in an electronic bingo forfeiture case against the MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians (Choctaw Entertainment Center) in Mt. Vernon, Alabama.

“The Mobile Circuit Court agreed with the State that the MOWA Band of Choctaw Indians were operating illegal electronic bingo machines and they must forfeit the 50 machines and a total of \$10,090.47 seized from the Choctaw Entertainment Center in Mt. Vernon, Alabama,” said Attorney General Strange.

“The funds seized from the illegal operations at the Choctaw Entertainment Center will be transferred to the General Fund of the State of Alabama and the electronic bingo machines will be destroyed as directed by the court.”

The MOWA Band of the Choctaw Indians of southwest Alabama are a non-federally recognized Indian tribe.

Attorney General Strange thanked Assistant Attorney General John Kachelman of the Criminal Trials Division, Mobile County District Attorney Ashley Rich, and agents of the Mobile Country Sheriff’s Office for their assistance in investigating the case and executing the search warrant that led to the seizure and successful prosecution of the defendants.

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